



Practitioner's Docket No. GYN5005

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Mark Howansky et al.

Application No.: 10/645,914 Group No.: N/A

Filed: August 21, 2003 Examiner: N/A

**For:** URETHRAL SPHINCTER SIMULATOR

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1. This amendment and petition is to request correction of the incorrect original naming of inventor(s) in the declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a) as set forth and filed on August 21, 2003, in the above-referenced case.
2. Addition and/or Deletion of inventor(s)

Add the following previously unnamed person(s) as inventor(s) of this application: Michael R. Tracey

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Delete the following previously incorrectly named inventor(s):

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- (b) a declaration by each of the actual inventor(s) as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 (or as permitted by §§ 1.42, 1.43, OR 1.47). 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2).
- (c) written assent of the assignee (if any of the original inventors executed an assignment) 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(4).
- (d) Attached is an explanation of the facts, including the ownership of all the claim(s) being claimed in this application, including the ownership of all the claim(s) at the time the last claimed invention was made (Declaration of Inventorship and Common Ownership of Claims in Application).

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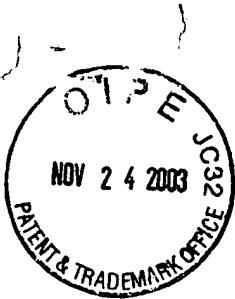
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**DECLARATION OF MARK HOWANSKY**

I, Mark Howansky, declare as follows:

(1) I together with Stephen B. Wahlgren and Mosaddeq Hossain are co-inventors of patent application Serial No. 10/645,914, filed on August 21, 2003.

(2) Through error and with no deceptive intent on the part of the omitted inventor, Michael R. Tracey was not named as a joint inventor.

(3) I agree to the change in inventorship and/or have no disagreement in adding Michael R. Tracey as a joint inventor.

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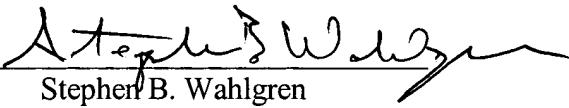
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K. Mosaddeq Hossain  
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Attorney Docket Number	GYN5005
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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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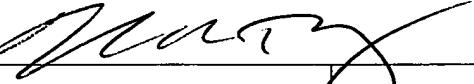
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NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor		
Given Name (first and middle [if any]) Mark		Family Name or Surname Howansky		
Inventor's Signature		Date		
Residence: City Union City	State NJ	Country USA	Citizenship USA	
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Given Name (first and middle [if any]) Mosaddeq		Family Name or Surname Hossain		
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NAME OF THIRD INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor		
Given Name (first and middle [if any]) Stephen B.		Family Name or Surname Wahlgren		
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NAME OF FOURTH INVENTOR:	<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor		
Given Name (first and middle [if any]) Michael R.	Family Name or Surname Tracey		
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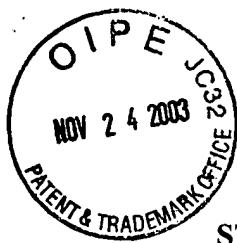
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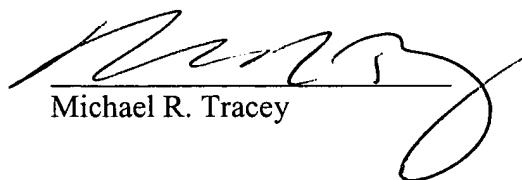
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**STATEMENT OF OMITTED INVENTOR (37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(2))**

I, Michael R. Tracey, do hereby state:

I was omitted as a named inventor in the above-identified patent application. The error in inventorship occurred without any deceptive intention on my part.



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Michael R. Tracey



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**ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO CORRECTION  
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ETHICON, Inc.

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Assignee hereby assents to the correction of inventorship filed

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WHEREAS, Mark Howansky, Mosaddeq Hossain, and Stephen B. Wahlgren, residing at 100 Manhattan Avenue, Apt. 1505, Union City, NJ 07087, 101 Woods Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844, and 835 Gates Street, Easton, PA 18040, respectively (hereinafter called "Assignors"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to

URETHRAL SPHINCTER SIMULATOR

for which they have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, ETHICON, INC., a corporation of the State of New Jersey, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring Assignors' entire right, title, and interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other valuable considerations to them moving, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned, and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee their entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application whose identification above by serial number and filing date, when available is hereby authorized, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions, and continuations thereof, and in and to all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this Assignment and sale had not been made;

And Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that he has a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above

described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors further covenant and agree that they will, whenever requested, but without cost to them promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to them relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST , 2003

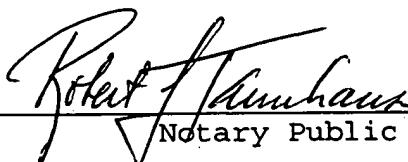
  
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Mark Howansky

(L.S.)

STATE OF New Jersey ss.  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET)

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST , 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Mark Howansky, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

ROBERT J. TANNHAUSER  
Notary Public Of New Jersey  
My Commission Expires 10/18/2004

  
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Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his  
hand and seal this 18 day of August, 2003

Mosaddeq Hossain

(L.S.)

Mosaddeq Hossain

STATE OF New Jersey)  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET)  
ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 18th day of  
August, 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally  
appeared Mosaddeq Hossain, who I am satisfied is the person  
named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my  
presence, and I having first made known to him the contents  
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ROBERT J. TANNAUSER  
Notary Public Of New Jersey  
My Commission Expires 10/18/2004

Robert J. Tannhäuser  
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August , 2003

Stephen B. Wahlgren (L.S.)  
Stephen B. Wahlgren

STATE OF New Jersey)  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET)  
) ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST , 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Stephen B. Wahlgren, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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